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### OTTO SCHUMANN CHARGED WITH KILLING MRS. KING

Wealthy Widow For Whose Murder  
Gaston B. Means Was Tried.

Concord, N. C., May 1.—Otto Schumann, an interned enemy alien, is charged in a warrant issued here today with the murder of Mrs. Maude A. King, a wealthy Chicago widow, for whose killing at Blackwelder Springs, near here, last August, Gaston B. Means was tried and acquitted.

The warrant was issued on an affidavit by M. N. Caldwell, city prosecuting attorney, who alleges that Schumann shot the woman while trying to kill Means to prevent him from furnishing the American government information as to the methods Germany had employed to get copper and rubber from the United States before this country entered the war. Means had been an agent for the German government in such transactions, and when he severed his connections with Germany he told her agents that he proposed to lay what information he had before his government.

According to the affidavit, Schumann, "at the direction of German interests" followed Means from New York to North Carolina and trailed him in and near Concord. On the night of the killing, Mr. Caldwell said, Schumann followed Mrs. King and Means to the spring on a motorcycle. He was seen to leave there by two unnamed witnesses after the latter had heard a shot.

### PAYMASTER OF GERMAN AGENTS IN THIS COUNTRY

Carl Rodiger Arrested in New York  
and Held in \$15,000 Bail.

New York, May 1.—Carl Rodiger, known also as Karl Schroeder, said to be a lieutenant commander in the German navy and believed by agents of the department of justice to be paymaster of German agents in this country, Central and South America, was arrested here today and held in \$15,000 bail. One of his chief purposes is

believed to have been to induce Irishmen to enlist in the British navy in the hope that they would plant bombs on the warships. Rodiger denied that he was a German. His examination was set for May 8.

The arrest of Rodiger followed the apprehension last Saturday of Madame Marie De Victoria, who is said to have been one of his most active lieutenants. The woman, who is in the prison ward at Bellevue hospital, admitted, according to the federal authorities, that she had received about \$40,000 from Rodiger since her arrival in this country in 1917, but denied, she said, that the money was used for German propaganda here. She insisted, she said, that the money represented interest on large estates owned by her in Chile.

Rodiger, who has been under observation by agents of the department of justice for some time, was known in the government records as "Lieutenant Commander X." Agents of the department declined to state tonight the specific charge that would ultimately be made against him.

Margaret Sullivan, employed by Madame De Victoria as a maid or secretary, was held as a prisoner of war after she had been questioned by members of the United States attorney's office. She had been detained as a material witness.

### 8,984 DRAFT MEN FOR MECHANICAL TRAINING

Have Been Called For by the Provost  
Marshal-General.

Washington, May 1.—A call for 8,984 additional draft men was issued tonight by the provost marshal-general. They are to be sent to 22 institutions scattered throughout the country for a two months course of training in various mechanical studies.

The call includes Maryland 439, as follows: 330 University of Pittsburgh; 150 Penn State College.

New Jersey, 150, Brown University, Providence, R. I.

No man can succeed unless he has faith in his own ability.

### TOTAL LIBERTY BOND SUBSCRIPTIONS \$2,579,079,400

"Buy Another" Campaign Cry to  
Drive the Loan Along.

Washington, May 1.—The "buy another bond" movement, developed by Liberty bond headquarters as a feature of the final days of the campaign, grew today into a national "match the president" contest. President Wilson asked to take another \$50 bond on the installment plan, and a big over-subscription of the three billion dollar minimum.

In 26,000 meeting places during the remainder of the week, "buy another" will be a campaign cry to drive the third loan along toward the 20,000,000 subscribers and a big over-subscription of the three billion dollar minimum.

Official reports from eight of the twelve federal reserve districts in the country showed honor commitments as follows:

Boston 952; New York 799; Philadelphia 424.

The entire state of New Jersey was reported unofficially to be over the top tonight. The twelve northern counties had subscribed 97 per cent, officially and the nine southern counties had exceeded their quota.

### Strike at General Electric Plant.

Schenectady, N. Y., May 1.—From 1,500 to 2,000 employees of the local plant of the General Electric Company are idle as the result of a strike yesterday following the company's refusal to increase the craftsmen's wages.

## TROLLEY EMPLOYEES PRESENT DEMANDS

Men of Shore Line Trolley Company Ask For Wage Raise—  
Want Minimum Raised From 28 Cents to 35 Cents and  
Maximum From 35 Cents to 45 Cents—With Time and  
Half For Overtime and Nine Hour Day.

The statement was made in New London on Wednesday that employees of the Shore Line Electric Railway company had sent notice by registered mail to G. Stratton, general manager, asking for an increase in wages, less hours of work, and increase in overtime pay, to become effective on June 1, at which time the present agreement between the employees and the company will expire.

Officials of the company here said that they had no knowledge that the communication had been received up to late in the afternoon. The increase asked for by the local trolley men is for a minimum of 35 cents per hour, and a maximum of 45 cents per hour, the maximum not being paid after the employee has been in the service one year. They also ask for time and one-half for all overtime, and a nine hour day.

The same wages and conditions are asked for by the miscellaneous de-

partment, which includes the barn and power house men, firemen, grassers, etc., and is embodied in the petition which went forward today.

The employees are now receiving 28 cents minimum per hour and 35 cents maximum, the maximum not being obtainable until after five years' service with the company, and 10 cents per hour has been paid for all overtime.

The Shore Line company operates about 219 miles of road and this request comes from all employees on the line, which reaches as far west as New Haven, as far north and east as West Thompson, the Groton and Westerly line, Dayville, Danielson, Norwich-Baltic and Willimantic branches.

Wage increases have also been asked for trolley men and other employees on the lines of the Connecticut company in the western part of the state, whose agreements expire earlier than the agreement of the Shore Line company.

### LEAVE TO BEGIN THEIR ARMY TRAINING

Norwich Young Men Start For Fort  
Slocum and Boston School.

With a good sized gathering of their relatives and close friends waving good-bye and good luck, another contingent of Norwich young men left here on Wednesday morning for the 650 train southward on the New Haven road. Their destination was Fort Slocum, New Rochelle, New York, where they will go into army training. The rainy morning probably prevented a much larger number of people from being on hand to see them off.

Seventeen were in the contingent, the whole number that was expected to go. Frank Lester Chappell, who did not report to the exemption board on Tuesday, through a misunderstanding, was at the train and went with the others.

George A. Chase, George C. Bell and Edward P. Reardon also left here on Wednesday to go to the Parker Memorial school in Boston for special training in government service. There were to have been four sent to that school but the fourth member, George A. Garrypie, who was in Class I division of the selective draft with the provision that he undergo an operation for a curable trouble has undergone this operation and wasn't strong enough yet to leave. He expects to go to school Monday.

### SOLDIERS AND SAILORS

What Eastern Connecticut Boys  
Are Doing in Various Branches of  
the Service.

#### Shelled on St. Patrick's Day.

One of the New Britain soldiers, Corporal Fleischman, who was in the company located on guard duty in this city last spring, but now in France, writes the following letter to a Norwich friend:

Some Where in France, April 3, 1917.

Dear Friend: I have a little time to spare, so I made up my mind to drop you a line. I am as well as usual, so are all the Company boys.

On St. Patrick's day we were at the front and for greeting the Boche gave us a heavy shell gas attack for 24 hours straight. But our own artillery gave it to them good and proper. The same night I was carrying soup to the front, with shells bursting all around, gas and shrapnel, but none came near enough to hit. It was pitch dark nights and with my gas mask on walking on the side of a communication trench that led to the front line. I couldn't see a thing with five leaves of bread in my arm, there I was, practically as helpless as a child. My arms full and trying to fill the way, fell four times in a trench full of water and mud. But I finally managed to get out and on my way again. The next morning it was clear and fine and a number of German aeroplanes flew about 250 feet over our head. I came out of the dugout to see what was going on and I heard machine gun fire in the air. There he was shooting down into our position trying to mow us down. There our own opened fire on the Boche and he flew back to the lines as fast as he could travel. It snowed one night while we were up there and the shell holes covered with snow looked like a wide snowed ocean.

Everything in sight is destroyed by artillery fire, trees all shot to pieces, villages, everything in ruins. Graves here and there and some of them are shell holes at present. You may think the Fourth of July night is noisy, but here for days it is the same, day after day bombarding every once in a while, machine guns tapping away and bullets singing over head. France will never be worth anything for years to come. Dead are lying around the ground, it is just like as if there was an earthquake, all you see is holes, trenches dug up, one mass of destruction. Barbwire all around equipment of all kinds lying around, ammunition, German and French guns, bayonets, everything in a mess. In holes as still remains, if a farmer wanted to plow the fields where battles have been fought they might strike a grenade or shell that had not exploded and if he did then he is apt to be killed. We were warned before we went up to the front not to touch any of the German grenades, as they may be fixed so as to explode and kill one or more of us. For instance I heard a story of a British officer who picked up a German grenade and wanted to bring it back for a souvenir. He put it in his pocket and jumped on his horse and rode away. The shock of riding set the grenade off and he landed safely on the ground. So you can see how they are set.

When we were the Germans once occupied those positions and there was all kinds of German ammunition in the dugouts which they left on their retreat. But we kept our hands off for we heard enough of the Boches tricks. They may be foxy but they didn't fool the Americans. They have been on the front sometime and haven't tried any of them yet.

I must close now. Best regards to all inquiring friends and to the Hall family.

CORP. F. FLEISCHHAUER,  
Co. I, 102nd U. S. Inf.

A. E. F.

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April 24

### M'KAY AND COPP WIN THEIR COMMISSIONS

Two Norwich Boys in List Announced  
From Camp Devens.

Edward G. McKay and Webster D. Copp of this city are in the list of men just announced by the committee on public information as having qualified for appointment as second lieutenants after attending the officers' training



EDWARD G. M'KAY.

school at Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass., which was one of the schools held in the third series of training schools.

There were six other Eastern Connecticut young men who qualified. All these men will be carried on the list of eligible officers and commissioned as soon as suitable vacancies occur.

The Eastern Connecticut list is as follows:

Edward G. McKay, 23 Spaulding street, Norwich, Conn., infantry.

Webster D. Copp, Norwich, infantry.

James P. Cochrane, 28 Park street, Willimantic, infantry.

Harold S. Corbin, 19 Fremont street, Putnam, infantry.

James T. Fitzpatrick, 76 Goshen street, New London, infantry.

William W. Loughheed, Stafford, infantry.

Howard W. Morse, 59 Chestnut street, Willimantic, infantry.

Francis C. Temple, 88 Winthrop street, New London, infantry.

Edgar A. Carrier, Colchester, infantry.

Lieut. Edward G. McKay is the son of Mrs. Annie E. and the late Charles J. McKay of Spaulding street. He is a graduate of the Norwich Free Academy in the class of 1912. While at the Academy he was prominent in athletics being captain of the baseball team in his senior year. He entered Trinity college and here he made good both as a student and as an athlete. He was captain of the college team when he left school to take up teaching at the Academy. He was still at the Academy when he was drafted and sent to Camp Devens. At Camp Devens he received the rank of sergeant and was later chosen to train for a commission.

### APPOINTMENT GIVEN TO GEORGE E. FELLOWS

Is Made County Commissioner to Succeed Late Fred J. Brown.

George E. Fellows of this city has been appointed by Governor Holcomb as county commissioner to fill the vacancy on the board of commissioners caused by the death of Frederick J. Brown of Lebanon.

The 19th senatorial district has been without representation on the board of county commissioners. The position draws down a salary of \$1,000 per year and Mr. Fellows will hold the position until the next meeting of the legislature.

Mr. Fellows was born in New London in 1853, the son of Joshua E. and Eunice H. Hempstead Fellows, but most of his life has been spent in this city. He learned the trade of a brick mason from his father and has been in the building business here for a long time. He is at present street commissioner and had previously held the position, and it pays a salary of \$1,800. He has been active in local politics for many years and has served on the republican town committee. He is a Free Mason.

### DAREDEVIL DAVIS WORKS FOR LIBERTY LOAN

Strings Ropes for Flag Raising at Davis Theatre—Contributes Services.

While a large crowd stood breathless, Daredevil Davis climbed the flagstaff on the roof of Davis theatre on Wednesday evening and strung the ropes for the large flag which was run up as Tubbs' band played The Star Spangled Banner. Mr. Davis when at the top of the staff which he climbed with perfect ease, threw out some Liberty loan literature, but the breeze which was blowing carried it off over the roofs of the adjoining buildings rather than to the crowd.

After throwing out the literature he descended the pole to the rope which was strung from the pole to the fence in front of the police station. Mr. Davis' descent by the rope was made with ease and as he landed safely on the ground Manager Craig of the Davis theatre proposed three cheers for the performer who gave his services free in behalf of the Liberty loan.

### J. Arthur Atwood a Director.

At the annual meeting of the Ancona company at Fall River, J. Arthur Atwood of Wauregan was elected a director.

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Chapter Immediately Finds Use for the  
Money—Holds Interesting Meeting.

Mrs. George C. Preston of Broadway entertained the members of Faith Trumbull chapter at their regular May meeting on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. W. Tylee Browne presided and, after the singing of America and the usual reports, spoke of the compliment paid the chapter by the state regent in appointing Mrs. Amos A. Browning one of the state councillors. She also read a letter from France giving the chapter news of the French war orphan whom they have been interested in this past year.

Mrs. Arthur H. Lathrop gave a report of the whist and dance held last Friday evening by the chapter. About \$175 was realized, and it was immediately voted to use \$40.50 to continue the support of the French war orphan for another year, to give \$100 to the Red Cross and to give the remainder—about \$40—to the free wool fund.

Plans were made for another memorial service at the boulder marking the graves of the French soldiers buried at Norwich Town. This will be the same as last year, on May 29th, at 4 p. m. and the 69 American Revolutionary soldiers buried there will also be remembered.

Mrs. Will L. Stearns read some of the latest hints on conservation as advised by our food and fuel administrators, and in response the chapter decided to give up the serving at regular meetings during the war of over the simple cup of tea to which they had already reduced their social part of the program.

Mrs. Nelson D. Robinson read letters from Channing P. Huntington and Guy A. Sullivan thanking her for the socks she had knitted on the needles used in the Revolutionary and Civil wars and had sent to them. Mrs. Ellsha E. Rogers told of the war work which one of the chapter's out of town members is doing and of which they were glad to know.

Miss Kathryn Sullivan made a deep impression with her rendering of two patriotic songs, Joan of Arc. They Are Calling You, and Liberty Bell. Miss Annie E. Vaughn furnished a sympathetic accompaniment.

Mrs. Alfred N. H. Vaughn read an instructive paper on The Newgate Prison—the old Connecticut copper mine, where prisoners were kept in the Revolution, so many stories were put where they could do no harm to the American cause. This was given in the form of the story of an automobile trip to Newgate and was made interesting as well as statistical.

Two other songs by Miss Sullivan were kept the Home Fires Burning and For Your Country and My Country, after which Miss Annie E. Vaughn read a report of the 27th Continental congress of the D. A. R. held in Washington two weeks ago. As no one was able to go from Norwich, Miss Carrie E. Rogers of Washington was the only delegate to represent the chapter and wrote the excellent account of the week's congress which Miss Vaughn read. This was the banner congress of the whole. The unanimous spirit of loyalty and patriotism of the 700 delegates, combined with the broad and deep principles of the subjects under discussion, and the stirring addresses from diplomats and military officers from many allied countries, made it a great privilege to represent the chapter. After this, said Secretary Lansing, no one can ever question why the D. A. R.? The whole nation must follow their example.

Mrs. George A. Ashbey read a very interesting letter written by a soldier somewhere in France and interrupted by aeroplane bombs and artillery concerts which he said didn't improve the appearance of their front lawn.

### WOMEN TELEGRAPH OPERATORS LOCKED OUT

In Seattle by the Western Union Telegraph Company.

Seattle, Wash., May 1.—"Between 125 and 150 men and women operators have been locked out of the work in Seattle by the Western Union Telegraph company because they attended an open meeting of the Commercial Telegraphers' union here last Sunday."

J. E. Campbell of Vancouver, B. C., international vice president of the operators' union, asserted here today that Western Union officials here declined to make any statements.

Turkey having proposed to open negotiations with Russia aiming at an agreement regarding armistice negotiations, M. Tchitcherin says Russia is ready to accept such a proposal.

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